

In the specification:

[0053] The elastic band 64 can be applied manually or automatically such as by the method shown in U.S. Patent No. 5,105,599, entitled "MEANS FOR SECURING A DECORATIVE COVER ABOUT A FLOWER POT", issued to Weder on April 21, 1993 which is hereby expressly incorporated herein by reference. The band 64 can also be applied as a tie using a method such as described in "Single Station Covering and Fastening System", U.S. Patent No. 5,609,009, issued to Weder et al. on March 11, 1997, the specification of which is hereby expressly incorporated herein by reference. The sheet of polymeric material 10 having a cloth-like appearance can also be applied automatically about the flower pot 50, for example, by methods shown in U.S. Patent No. 4,733,521 entitled "COVER FORMING APPARATUS" issued to Weder et al. on March 29, 1988, and U.S. Patent No. 5,291,721, entitled "COVER FORMING APPARATUS HAVING ~~A VOTING~~ PIVOTING FORMING MEMBERS", issued to Weder et al. on March 8, 1994, both of which are hereby expressly incorporated herein by reference.